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"Islands, Castles & Portable Operations"
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17/08/2012: Luis, CT1EJB and Armando, CT2JYX will be active as CR5WFF on the 17th and 20th of August 2012 from Farol da Berlenga (WCA CT-01001, DMHP LR-086) located on Ilha da Berlenga (EU-040, DIP ES-001, PIP NT-029, WFF CTFF-015, WLOTA 1054). They plan to work on all bands using SSB, RTTY and BPSK. QSL via CT1EJB. [RN1CW]

17/08/2012: The Radio Club Uruguayo will be active as CW1R from Punta del Este Lighthouse (ILLW UY0005, ARLHS URU-008, Admiralty G0682, WW Loc. GF25MA) on 17-19 August 2012 for the ILLW. Look for activity on 80-10 metre CW, SSB and the Digital modes with at least two stations. QSL via CX1AA, direct or bureau. Website: www.qrz.com/db/CW1R [425 DX News]

17/08/2012: Members of Gwangju DX Club (6L0NJ) plan activity from Kogum island [Kogum-do] (AS-060, WW Loc. PM34OL), South Cholla Province, South Korea, between 17-19th August 2012. Plans are to be QRV on 80-6 metre SSB, CW and RTTY. QSL via HL4CEL, direct or Bureau. Website: www.qrz.com/db/D7G [DX World]

17/08/2012: Operators Doc KL7XK/p, Chuck WL7CSJ/p, Heinz VA7AQ/NL5 and Frank VE7DP/WL9 will activate Pleasant Island (NA-161, USi AK042S), Alexander Archipelago, 1st South Eastern county, Tongass National Forest, Alaska, from 17-19th August 2012. QRV on 30, 20, 17 and 15 metre CW/SSB. QSL to operator's home call, Bureau or direct. [IOTA-chasers]

17/08/2012: University of Oulu Technical Students Radio Club will be active between 17-19th August 2012 as OH8T from Hailuoto island (EU-184, WLOTA 0580) and the Marjaniemi lighthouse (ILLW FI0025, ARLHS FIN-028, TWLHD WLH OH-015, WLOTA 0580), Oulu Province, Finland. This will include an entry in the International Lighthouse Lightship Weekend (ILLW - 18-19 August). QSL via the Bureau to OH8T. Website: oh8ta.fi/english/ [rsgbiota-org]

17/08/2012: Paul, VK5PAS and six other operators plan to be active as VI5CW from Kangaroo Island (OC-139), South Australia, between 17-20 August, 2012. Their main goal is to activate the Cape Willoughby lighthouse (ILLW AU-0095, ARLHS AUS-051, TWLHD WLH VK-017, WLOTA 0869, Admiralty K2112) for the 15th International Lighthouse & Lightship weekend (18-19 August), and the 160th anniversary of the Cape Willoughby lighthouse, located at the eastern end of the island (WW Loc. PF94BD). QRV on all HF bands SSB, possibly some CW. VI5CW team consists of: Paul VK5PAS, Sasi VK5SN, Dave VK3VCE, Mark VK5VW, David VK5KC, Hans VK5YX and Lesley VK5LOL. QSL via VK5PAS, direct or by the VK5 Bureau. Logs will be uploaded to loTW and eQSL. [VK5PAS]

17/08/2012: An experienced team of 8 operators will be signing VK4ILH during the International Lighthouse & Lightship Weekend on 18 & 19 Aug, 2012. Activity to take place (prior to ILLW) from the 17th of August at Cape Moreton Lighthouse (ARLHS AUS-039, ILLW AU0009, WLOTA 2987, Admiralty K2854.1) located on Moreton Island (OC-137, WW Loc. QG62RX). This expedition will mark the very 1st time Cape Moreton Lighthouse has ever been activated. Scheduled in 2007 for the ILLW, this activity never took place. QSL to VK4MIA via the Bureau, direct and LoTW.

[DX World]

18/08/2012: Members of Radio Society of Sri Lanka will be active from Barberyn Island (AS-171) and lighthouse (ILLW LK0002, ARLHS SLI-002, TWLHD WLH 4S-001, WLOTA 0024) for International Lighthouse/Lightship Weekend (18-19 August 2012), using the callsign 4S7LGT. QSL via the Bureau. [DX Newsletter]

18/08/2012: Vincenzo, IZ2WMW, will be active as 9A/IZ2WMW from Krk Island (EU-136, ACIA IC-105, CIA-22, IOCA CI-046, MIA MC-185, WLOTA 1342) from 18-25th August 2012. Activity will be holiday style on the HF bands. QSL direct with SASE or Bureau via homecall. [rsgbiota]

18/08/2012: Jose Luis CT1GZB, Carlos CT1CSY and Rafael CT2JXT will be active as CR6LH from the lighthouse at Cabo da Roca (ILLW PT0015, DFP FES-01, ARLHS POR 007, Admiralty D2108, WW Loc. IM58GS) for the ILLW on 18-19 August 2012. They plan to operate SSB, RTTY, PSK31 and QRS CW on as many bands as possible. This activity also counts for Sintra-Cascais Nature Park (DPRN FF-011, WFF CTFF-011).QSL via CT1GZB, direct or Bureau. [425 DX News]

18/08/2012: Helmut, DM2BPG and Erich, DL2HUC will be active on 18 August 2012 as DK0GYB (special DOK: 800ANHALT) from the Castle Roseburg (WCA DL-02137, COTA-DL SAB-006). They will be active on the HF bands between from 0700 and 1400 UTC. QSL via the DARC Bureau. [RN1CW]

18/08/2012: Mike, DL4ABO, will be operating holiday style as DL4ABO/p between 18-25th August 2012 from Foehr [F?hr] island (EU-042, GIA N-017, WLOTA 4067), North Frisian islands archipelago in the Wadden Sea, Nordfriesland district, in the federal state of Schleswig-Holstein, Germany. Activity will be on the HF bands, propagation permitting. QSL via home call, Bureau preferred. Website: qrz.com/db/dl4abo [rsgbiota]

18/08/2012: Carrickfergus Amateur Radio Group will be operating GN0LIX/p from Chaine Memorial Tower (ILLW UK0033, BARLS A6031, ARLHS NTI-004, WLOTA 1439, WW Loc. IO74CU, WAB D40) in Larne, County Antrim, Northern Ireland (EU-115), between 18 and 19 August 2012 as part of the International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend. The station will be active on 40m 20m and 10m SSB, conditions permitting. All QSLs will be via the Bureau. For further information, visit the Carrickfergus Club website at: www.radioclubs.net/carg. [GB2RS]

18/08/2012: Dundee Amateur Radio Club members Paul GM0BKC, Pete GM1CMF, Colin GM4JPZ, Scott MM0SVK, Mark 2M0LEW and Ally MM0DRA will be active as GT4AAF/p from the Isle of Man (EU-116, WLOTA 0449) from 18-25 August, 2012. QRV on all bands and modes. QSL via Bureau, or direct to GM0BKC. [rsgbiota]

18/08/2012: Once again ARI Genova (IQ1GE) will participate in the International Lighthouse/Lightship Weekend (18-19 August). This year they will be QRV as II1PV from the lighthouse at Punta Vagno (ILLW IT0018, WAIL LI-006, ARLHS ITA 151, Admiralty E1230, WW Loc. JN44LJ), as their traditional location (La Lanterna) is being renovated and it is closed to public. QSL direct or bureau. [425 DX News]

18/08/2012: The Puerto Rico Amateur Radio League, KP4ES, will be doing a multi-island activation in the vicinity of Vieques, Puerto Rico, on 18-19th August 2012. Plans are to activate and qualify the following Puerto Rico islands: Cayo Afuera/Cayo Real (USi PR047), Vieques county; Cayo de Tierra (USi PR048) Vieques county; and Isleta Marina (USi PR049), Fajardo county. All islands are good for Local USi Award "Viques Edition". More info with Otis NP4G (otispr[AT]yahoo[DOT]com). QSL via KP4ES (QRZ.com). [USi]

18/08/2012: The PA6FUN team will be active for the first time during the ILLW from the Trinti House Lightvessel no.8 [now the "Jenni Brynton"] (ILLW NL0047, ARLHS NET-187) from 18-20th August, 2012. The lightvessel is the home of radio Seagull, transmitting on 1395 kHz AM with 4KW or 15KWpep. QRV with one QRO-rig on 80, 40 and 20 metre AM, SSB, CW and RTTY, offshore somewhere from the Waddenzee. QSL via PA3HHT, direct or Bureau. [QRZ.com]

18/08/2012: Louis, PJ2LS, will be active as PJ2L from Noordpunt Lighthouse (ILLW AN0002, ARLHS NEA-008, WLOTA 0942, Admiralty J6372, WW Loc. FK52KJ) on the island of Curacao (SA-099) during the International Lighthouse/Lightship Weekend. QSL direct to EB7DX. Website: www.pj2ls.com/ [425 DX News]

18/08/2012: The TC Special Wireless Activity Team and the Giresun Radio Amateurs and Nature Sports Club will be active as TC2ELH from Karadeniz Eregli ?l?ce Lighthouse (built in 1879, ILLW TR0011, ARLHS TUR-044, Admiralty E5826, WW Loc. KN51QH), Zonguldak Province, between 18th-20th August 2012. QSL via TA1HZ, direct or Bureau. Information on the Western Black Sea Lighthouses On The Air award can be found at: www.tcswat.org/awards/WEBLOTA/index.html [425 DX News]

18/08/2012: The Frontenac Radio Group is taking part in the International Lighthouse Lightship Weekend (18-19 August 2012). Once again they will be activating two lights, the first at Nine Mile Point (ILLW CA0031, ARLHS CAN-578, Notmar 419), located on the southwest point of Simcoe Island (CIsA ON-022), near the head of the St. Lawrence River, and will be using the VE3FRG callsign. The second site is the light at Point Petre (ILLW CA0026, ARLHS CAN-763), at the southern end of the Quinte Peninsula, in South West Prince Edward County, and will be using VE3FCT as its call. The Nine Mile Point light will be active on Sunday only, but they are hoping that the Point Petre light will be active on both days. QRV on 7.250; 21.350; 14.250-14.260; and 50.125, for SSB depending on the band conditions. All frequencies will be +/- 10 Kc or so. QSL both callsigns direct (QRZ.com) or by the Bureau. [VE3CLQ]

18/08/2012: Mike, VK7FB and Anne, VK7BYL will be active on 18-25th August 2012, including an entry in the 2012 International Lighthouse/Lightship Weekend (18-19 August), as VK7FB from the Tasman island lighthouse (ILLW AU0101, ARLHS AUS-160, TWLHD WLH VK-063, WLOTA 0288, Admiralty K3614) and weather station, located on Tasman island (OC-233). Tasman island is also located within the Tasman National Park (WFF VKFF-481). Mike and Anne were light keepers on Tasman in 1969 and will be returning for the ILLW. The Tasman lighthouse has been automated since 1976 and unmanned since 1977. QSL via VK7FB, Bureau preferred. [rsgbiota]

18/08/2012: Look for special call W1S to be active from the Seguin Island (NA-137, USi ME-new!) lighthouse (ILLW US0139, ARLHS USA-746, TWLHD WLH K-148, WLOTA 0179, WW Loc. FN53CQ), Sagadahoc county, Maine, for the ILLW (18-19 August). QSL direct to AK4KP (John Brewster, 8 Shenecosset Ln, Pinehurst, NC 28374 USA). [USi]

18/08/2012: Members of the Newport County Radio Club, W1YSE, will activate the Rose Island (NA-031, USi RI004) lighthouse (ILLW US0138, ARLHS USA-703, TWLHD WLH K-137, WLOTA 1164, WW Loc. FN41HL) during the International Lighthouse/Lightship Weekend. QSL with SASE to: PO Box 3103, Newport, RI 02840 USA. [USi]

18/08/2012: The Suffolk County Radio Club (SCRC), W2DQ, will be active for the International Lighthouse/Lightship Weekend from the Old Field Point lighthouse (ILLW US0148, ARLHS USA-563, WLOTA 2937), located in East Setauket, Long Island (NA-026, USi NY003S), New York. QSL direct to: SCRC PO Box 302, Medford, NY 11763 USA [USi]

18/08/2012: Fort Myers Amateur Radio Club, W4LX, will activate Boca Grande lighthouse (ILLW US0004, ARLHS USA-910, WLOTA 3252) for the ILLW (18-19 August). The lighthouse is located on Gasparilla Island (NA-069, USi FL034S, WW Loc. EL86UR), Charlotte county, Florida. QSL via QRZ.com. [USi]

19/08/2012: Marc, F6HQP, will be active on the HF bands as F6HQP/p from Yeu island (EU-064, DIFM AT021, WLOTA 0801) from 19-21 August 2011. QSL via home call, Bureau preferred. [F6AJA]

20/08/2012: The Radio Club Vendeen will be active as F6KUF/p from the Sebastopol Polder Nature Reserve (WFF FFF-218) on Noirmoutier Island (EU-064, DIFM AT-020, WLOTA 1224), Department Vendee/85 and Province (region) Pays-de-Loire (DPF 17) on the 20th and 21st August 2012. QRV on 80-10 metre SSB, CW and possibily PSK/RTTY. CW Team - Pat F6ACD and Alain F5OEV. SSB Team - Phil F5TRO and Seb F4BHZ. QSL cards are via the Bureau; SWL cards are welcome. [425 DX News]

22/08/2012: Grupo DX Caracas have planned a DXpedition to Isla la Blanquilla (SA-037, DIV-039, WW Loc. FK71QT) and lighthouse (ARLHS VEN-023, TWLHD WLH YV-001, WLOTA 0894, Admiralty J6426) from 22-27 August 2012. They will use the callsign YW5B on 160-6 metres, all modes. QSL via DM4TI (QRZ.com). Website: www.qrz.com/db/YW5B [GDXC]

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LOOKING AHEAD -

27/09/2012: Look for Pavel ZA/OK1DX, Petr ZA/OK1FCJ and David ZA/OK6DJ to be active from Albania between 27th September and 3rd October 2012. This will include a Multi-Op entry in the CQWW DX RTTY Contest (29-30 September), using the callsign ZA/OL8R. Activity outside the contest will be on 160-10 metres. Ant: spiderbeam 20/15/10m incl WARC, vertical 40m-10m, 80m dipole, LW 160 metres. Tcvr: Elecraft K3, Kenwood TS850. QSL ZA/OL8R and ZA/OK1FCJ via OK1DRQ, ZA/OK1DX via OK1DX, ZA/OK6DJ LoTW eQSL via direct, Bureau. [OK6DJ]

06/10/2012: Pekka, OH2YY, will be active as VK9XM from Christmas Island (OC-002, WFF VKFF-098) from 6-12th October 2012. Plans are to be QRV on 40-10 metres, all modes. QSL 100% either direct or via SRAL QSL bureau. QSL's to his home address: Pekka Ahlqvist OH2YY, Vapaalanpolku 8B, 01650 Vantaa, Finland. [DX World]

05/11/2012: Eric, SM1TDE, will be in Kenya on family vacation and plans to be active in his spare time from 5-22 November 2012. He will sign 5Z4/SM1TDE from Ukunda - Diani Beach, in Coast Province, Kenya. Plans are to be QRV on 40-10 metre CW only. QSL via his home call by the Bureau, LoTW or direct. Website: www.sm1tde.bloggspace.se/ [SM1TDE]

05/11/2012: Babs, DL7AFS and Lot, DJ7ZG begin another DXpedition ... They will be QRV from St Peters Parish, island of Montserrat (NA-103, WLOTA 1475, WW Loc. FK86VT) as Babs VP2MYL and Lot VP2MGZ between 5-19th November 2012. Activity will be on 80-10 metres, mainly RTTY, PSK31, PSK63 and SSB. Look for them on the usual DX frequencies. QSL via the German QSL-bureau DARC to DL7AFS. Direct requests can be sent to: Baerbel Linge, Eichwaldstr. 86, D-34123 Kassel, Germany. Further information and updates on their website at: www.qsl.net/dl7afs/Index_VP2M.html [DX World]

05/11/2012: Look for Paul, W4/VP9KF, to be active from the Tarrafal Apartments, located in Hamilton Parish, island of Bermuda (NA-005, WLOTA 0201, WW Loc FM72PI) as VP9KF from 5-19th November 2012. Activity will be CW only on 80-6 metres. Paul plans to concentrate on the JA greyline. QSL via W4/VP9KF (QRZ.com). Further information on his website at: vp9kf.com/ [NG3K]

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SPECIAL EVENTS -

17/08/2012: For the 2012 Amateur Radio Festival, special event station 8J1A is currently active until 26 August on all HF bands and modes. QSL via the JARL QSL Bureau. [JJ1WTL/AC6IM]

17/08/2012: Special event station 8J2YDU will be active until 3 November 2012, on all HF bands and modes, to celebrate the 50th Anniversary of Shizuoka Higashi High School, JA2YDU, in Shimizu, Shizuoka Prefecture, Chubu region of Honshu island (AS-007, WLOTA 2376), Japan. QSL via the JARL Bureau. [JJ1WTL/AC6IM]

17/08/2012: To celebrate Ham Festa Kasaoka 2012, special station 8J4HAM is currently active on all HF bands and modes until 21 October 2012. Kasaoka is located in Okayama Prefecture, Honshu island (AS-007, WLOTA 2376), Japan. QSL via the Bureau. [JJ1WTL/AC6IM]

17/08/2012: Special station 8J4MANGA will be active until 10 November for the 13th International Comic Artist Conference. (Manga: Cartoon/Comic). QSL via Bureau. [JJ1WTL/AC6IM]

17/08/2012: Special event station 8J4SINWA will be aired between 21 July and 11 November 2012 to celebrate the Japan Myth Expo in Shimane (Sinwa or Shinwa: Myth). Shimane is located in Shimane Prefecture, Chugoku region on Honshu island (AS-007, WLOTA 2376), Japan. QSL via the Bureau. [JJ1WTL/AC6IM]

17/08/2012: Look for special event station 8J50YAX to be active on all HF bands and modes until 31 December 2012. Activity is to celebrate the Golden Jubilee (50th Anniversary) of Ehime Prefectural Government Amateur Radio Club, JA5YAX. Ehime prefecture is located in northwestern Shikoku island (AS-076), Japan. QSL via the JARL Bureau. [JJ1WTL/AC6IM]

17/08/2012: Special event station 8J8APRC will be aired until 16 September 2012 for the FIA Asia-Pacific Rally Championship Round 5, JAF Japanese Rally Championship Round 7 "Rally Hokkaido" (AS-078, WLOTA 2967). Activity will be all modes on the HF bands. QSL via the Bureau. [JJ1WTL/AC6IM]

18/08/2012: Look for members of the YB Land DX Club (YBDXC) to activate special event station YB67RI between 0000z 10th August and 2400z 17th August 2012. Activity is to celebrate the 67th anniversary of the independence of Indonesia. The Proclamation of Indonesian Independence was read at 10.00 a.m. on Friday, 17th August 1945. Activity will be on all bands and modes. QSL via YB2DX direct or LoTW only. NO YB Bureau cards. [OPDX Bulletin]

18/08/2012: Phil, G3SWH, will activate the special call M0RSE on CW only on all bands over the weekend of 18th and 19th August 2012. All QSOs will be uploaded to LoTW immediately after the weekend. There will also be an on-line log at www.g3swh.org.uk/m0rse.html. Special QSLs are available via G3SWH, either via the OQRS facility at www.g3swh.org.uk/decision.html (bureau or direct) or direct with SAE and adequate return postage or even via the traditional bureau route. [G3SWH]

19/08/2012: ON4YOTA (Youngsters On The Air) will be in use from 19-26 August 2012 during a youth radio camp to be held in Eeklo, Belgium, and organized by UBA and VERON. QSL via ON9CFG. Further information on this event can be found at www.qrz.com/db/ON4YOTA and on the IARU Region 1's website (www.iaru-r1.org). [425 DX News]

U.S.A. Special Events can be found at: www.arrl.org/special-event-stations

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LIGHTHOUSE CALENDAR -

17/08-20/08 CR5WFF: Berlenga Grande WLOTA:1054 QSL CT1EJB (d/B)
17/08-19/08 CW1R: Punta del Este ILLW:UY0005, WLOL:URU-008 QSL CX1AA (d/B)
17/08-19/08 OH8T: Marjaniemi ILLW:FI-0025 WLH:OH-015 WLOL:FIN-028
WLOTA:0580 QSL via Buro
17/08-20/08 VI5CW: Cape Willoughby ILLW:AU-0095 WLH:VK-017 WLOL:AUS-051
WLOTA:0869 Admiralty K2112 QSL VK5PAS (d/B)
17/08-19/08 VK4ILH: Cape Moreton ILLW:AU-0009 WLOL:AUS-039 WLOTA:2987
Admiralty K2854.1 QSL VK4MIA (d/B/LoTW)
18/08-25/08 9A/IZ2WMW: Krk Island WLOTA:1342 QSL H/c (d/B)
18/08-19/08 4S7LGT: Barberyn ILLW:LK0002 WLH:4S-001 WLOL:SLI-002
WLOTA:0024 QSL Buro
18/08-19/08 CR6LH: Cabo da Roca ILLW:PT0015 DFP:FES-01 WLOL:POR 007
QSL CT1GZB (d/B)
18/08-25/08 DL4ABO/P: Fohr Island WLOTA:4067 QSL H/c (B)
18/08-19/08 GN0LIX/P: Chaine Tower Old ILLW:UK0033 BARLS:A6031 WLOL:NTI-004
WLOTA:1439 QSL RSGB Buro
18/08-25/08 GT4AAF/P: Man Island WLOTA:0449 QSL Buro / GM0BKC (d)
18/08-19/08 II1PV: Punta Vagno ILLW:IT0018 WAIL:LI-006 WLOL:ITA-151 QSL d/B
18/08-22/08 IS0/IZ3DBA: Sardinia WLOTA:1608 QSL H/c (d/B)
18/08-19/08 M0RSE: England (main island) WLOTA:1841 QSL G3SWH (d/B)
18/08-20/08 PA6FUN: Trinti House Lightvessel no.8 ILLW:NL0047
WLOL:NET-187 QSL PA3HHT (d/B)
18/08-19/08 PJ2L: Noordpunt ILLW:AN0002 WLOL:NEA-008 WLOTA:0942
QSL EB7DX (d)
18/08-20/08 TC2ELH: Oluce ILLW:TR0011 WLOL:TUR-044 QSL TA1HZ (d/B)
18/08-19/08 VE3FCT: Point Petre ILLW:CA0026 WLOL:CAN-763 QSL d/B
18/08-19/08 VE3FCT: Nine Mile Point ILLW:CA0031 WLOL:CAN-578 QSL d/B
18/08-25/08 VK7FB: Tasman Island ILLW:AU0101 WLH:VK-063 WLOL:AUS-160
WLOTA:0288 QSL VK Buro
18/08-19/08 W1S: Seguin Island ILLW:US0139 WLH:K-148 WLOL:USA-746
WLOTA:0179 QSL AK4KP (d)
18/08-19/08 W1SYE: Rose Island ILLW:US0138 WLH:K-137 WLOL:USA-703
WLOTA:1164 QSL QRZ.com
18/08-19/08 W2DQ: Old Field Point ILLW:US0148 WLOL:USA-563 WLOTA:2937
QSL QRZ.com
18/08-19/08 W4LX: Boca Grande ILLW:US0004 WLOL:USA-910 WLOTA:3252
QSL QRZ.com
19/08-21/08 F6HQP/P: Yeu Island WLOTA:0801 QSL H/c (B)
20/08-21/08 F6KUF/P: Ile de Noirmoutier WLOTA:1224 QSL H/c (d/B)
22/08-27/08 YW5B: Isla La Blanquilla WLH:YV-001 WLOL:VEN-023 WLOTA:0894
QSL DM4TI (d)
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6 METRES & UP -

17/08-19/08 D7G: Kogum-do AS-060 Grid:PM34OL 6m CW/SSB QSL HL4CEL (d/B)
18/08 PZK JT65a Tropo Contest 432 MHz/Open Class 0600z-1000z
18/08-19/08 ARRL 10-GHZ Cumulative 18 0600-19 2400 Local Time
18/08-19/08 KCJ CW Contest 6m Class 50.050-50.090MHz 18 1200z-19 1200z
18/08-19/08 VE3FCT: Point Petre lighthouse Grid:FN13KU 50.125USB QSL d/B
19/08 ARRL RTTY Rookie Roundup 6m class 19 1800z-2359z
19/08 VE3FRG: Nine Mile Point lighthouse Grid:FN14 50.125USB QSL d/B
21/08 LY 1296MHz Activity Contest CW/SSB/FM 21 1700z-2059z
21/08 NRAU 1.3GHz Activity Contest SO/MO/Open 1700z-2100z
21/08 RSGB 1.3GHz UKAC SO Fixed/Open 1900z-2130z
22/08 SKCC Straight Key Sprint 6m Class 0000z - 0200z

Contest Calendar: www.qsl.net/va3rj/con_aug.html

GOT6??? - Six Meter Information by Andy 'NEON' Sargent N8OFS at:
http://noars.net/got6/GOT6.txt (Updated: 15 August 2012)

Information about current VHF activities can be found on the VHF DX portal "Make More Miles on VHF" at: www.MMMonVHF.de/

SMIRK: www.smirk.org/
SOTA (Summits On The Air) Watch Alerts at: www.sotawatch.org/
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QSL INFO -

FROM QRZ-DX --> Henryk, SM0JHF is getting ready to "clean house" and dispose of blank cards by the end of this year, for a number of his past operations. If you need a card for any of the following calls, you need to contact him by email: <sm0jhf at gmail.com>.
D44CF, C56JHF, 6W/SM0JHF, TK/SM0JHF, TA0/SM0JHF, SV8/SM0JHF, SM0JHF/HI3, SM0JHF/HI9, VU3HKE, 9H3HF, IS0/SM0JHF, CU2/SM0JHF, OH0/SM0JHF, S92JHF, CT3/SM0JHF and some others. [K1XN]

QSLs via Bureau: 6V7D, 9A1AA, 9A?HQ, AN7ITU, DA?LCC, DF?WBI, DL?YLL, DL5YC, EA5ADF, EO2?X, HS?ZIN, MD/DK1SG, OH1MA, OX4OK, PJ4D, R1961G, RP65Z, RP9?MP, V55DX, WE9V and ZF2AH.

QSLs via Direct: 6O?CW (I2YSB/OQRS), 6V7Z (RA9FW), 6Y5WJ (CBA), 9Y4HQ (DF2RG), CO8LY (EA7ADH), CX7CO (WB3CDX), ES3AX (CBA), ES9C (CBA), EY7AD (CBA), H44UD (UT6UD), HL1IWD (CBA), HV?A (IK?FVC), JX5O (OQRS), NH?Z (JJ2VLY), OD5NH (CBA), T32TX (KB8TXZ), T32XX (KB8TXZ), SV2ASP/A (CBA), UA9MA (CBA), V73AX (WH?AI), VQ9JC (ND9M), WE8A/KH? (JF3MYU) and XV9MA (UA9MA).

QSLs via LoTW: 9K2MU, 9K2VO, 9M4SLL, A92IO, AA4NC, AA7V, CR6K, CY9M, DL?CS, EA1EYG, FM5CD, FP/VA2WA, HK?NA, K?SR, K2ZD, K4RO, K5XR, K6KR, K8GT, K8PO, KA3DRR, KH7Y, LY2MM, N4DW, N7IP, NA4K, NR5M, NT8Z, NX5M, OH2XX, OK5T, PY4HO, PY5FB, SM4OTI, SP1DMD, ST?R, VA3DDX, VE2OJ, VE3EJ, VE3RTU, VE7IO, W?EWD, W1AW/7, WA5SOG and XE1MM.
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LINKS -
IOTA (Islands On The Air) at: www.rsgbiota.org/
WCA (World Castles on the Air) at: www.wcagroup.org/ENG/wcag.html
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BITS & PIECES -

ARLD033 ITU Assigns New Prefix for Niue: E6A-E6Z

On August 3, the ITU updated its Table of International Call Sign Series to reflect a call sign change for Niue. The island will now have the entire E6 prefix block. Niue -- an island approximately 1500 miles northeast of New Zealand -- is a self-governing island nation that has been in free association with New Zealand since 1974. Prior to the change, the island used ZK2. According to the CIA World Factbook, Niue is about 1.5 times the size of Washington, DC, and has a population of almost 1300 people.

ARLX012 RAC Announces New Ontario Section Boundaries, Abbreviations

In March 2012, the Radio Amateurs of Canada (RAC) announced that it would split its Ontario Section into four new Sections "to create a management model that better communicates with, and represents the interests of, the overall Ontario amateur population." The new Section boundaries go into effect as of September 1, 2012.

On August 8, RAC Chief Field Services Officer Doug Mercer, VO1DTM/VO1DM, announced the new Section boundaries, names and abbreviations:

Ontario North (ONN): All of Northwest Ontario, including Manitoulin Island, Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands, Killarney, the cities of Greater Sudbury and North Bay and Nipissing District.

Ontario East (ONE): Algonquin Park, Renfrew, Hastings, Prince Edward, Haliburton, Peterborough and Northhumberland Counties, and the cities and counties to the east.

Greater Toronto Area (GTA): The City of Toronto and the Regions of Halton (including the City of Burlington), Peel, York and Durham.

Ontario South (ONS): Parry Sound District, the counties of Simcoe, Grey, Bruce, Dufferin, Wellington, the City of Hamilton, the Region of Niagara and the remainder of Southwestern Ontario.

"I am also thrilled to advise that all four Section Manager positions have been filled," Mercer said. "I will circulate a formal introduction in the weeks to come."

This new change will affect ARRL contests and Field Day. Details may be found on the web at,
http://www.arrl.org/news/rac-announces-new-ontario-section-boundaries-abbreviations.

According to Mercer, several vendors of logging and contest software have also announced changes, but some will not be effective until January 2013. He advises to verify with the vendor well in advance of the upcoming contests.

ILLW 2012 -
The 15th Annual International Lighthouse/Lightship Weekend, conducted under the sponsorship of the Ayr Amateur Radio Group, will take place from 0001 UTC on 18 August until 2359 UTC on the 19th. Complete information on this event, including a list of participating stations (404 from 44 countries so far), can be found at http://illw.net/
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